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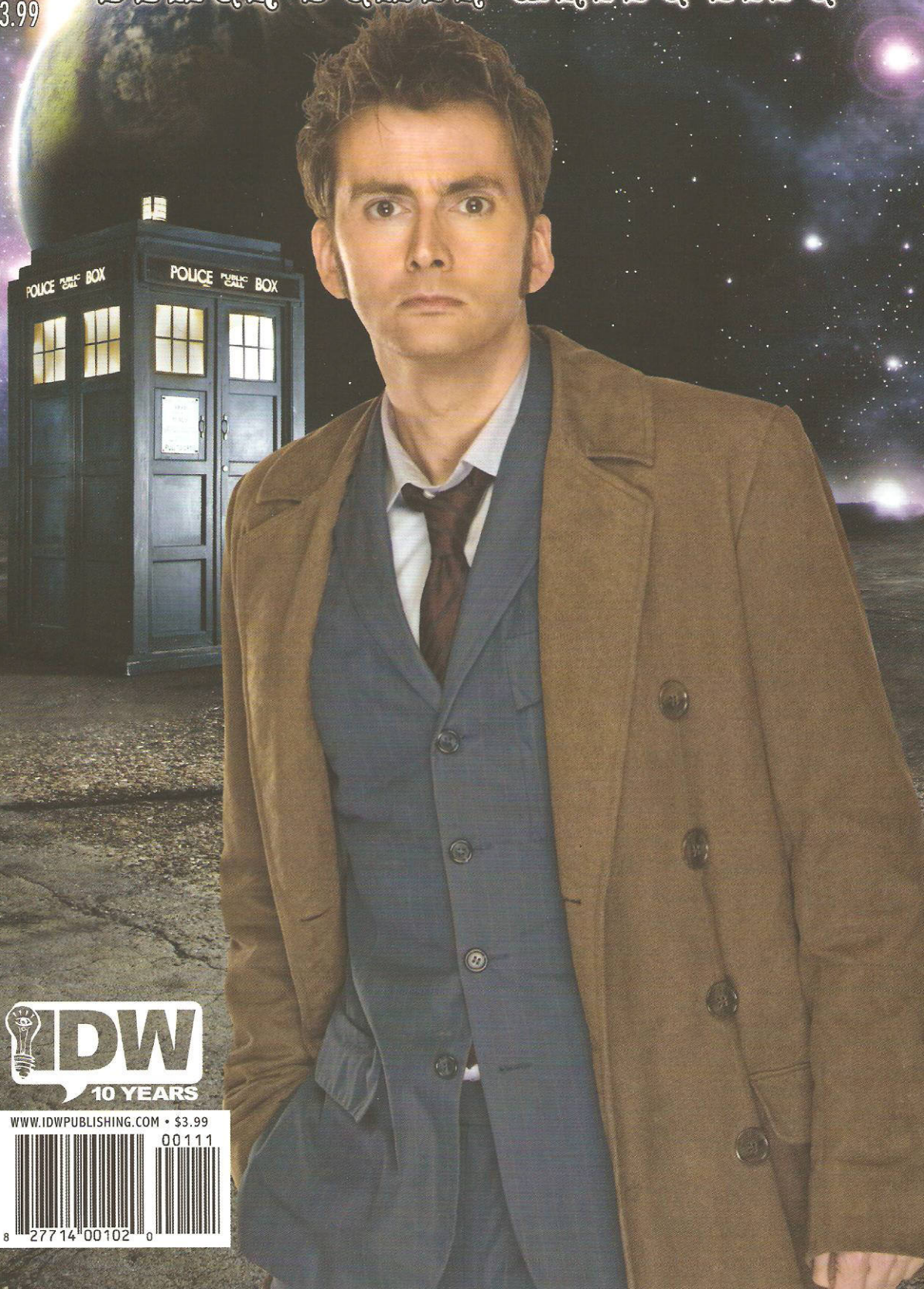
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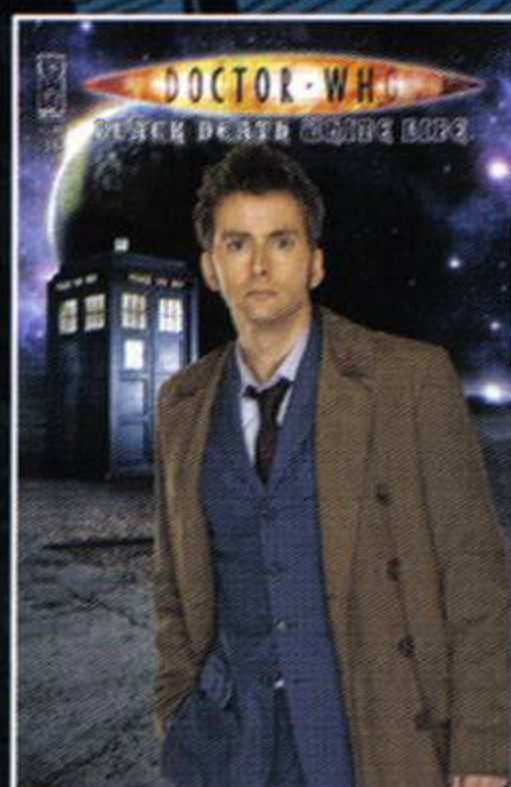
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FATHER VITA?
→COUGH→ →HACK→
ARE YOU THERE,
FATHER?



I AM HERE.
WHAT BRINGS
YOU HERE AT
THIS HOUR?



I FEAR I
HAVE COME DOWN
WITH THE PLAGUE.
THE DOCTORS
→COUGH→ THEY
→HURKK→...

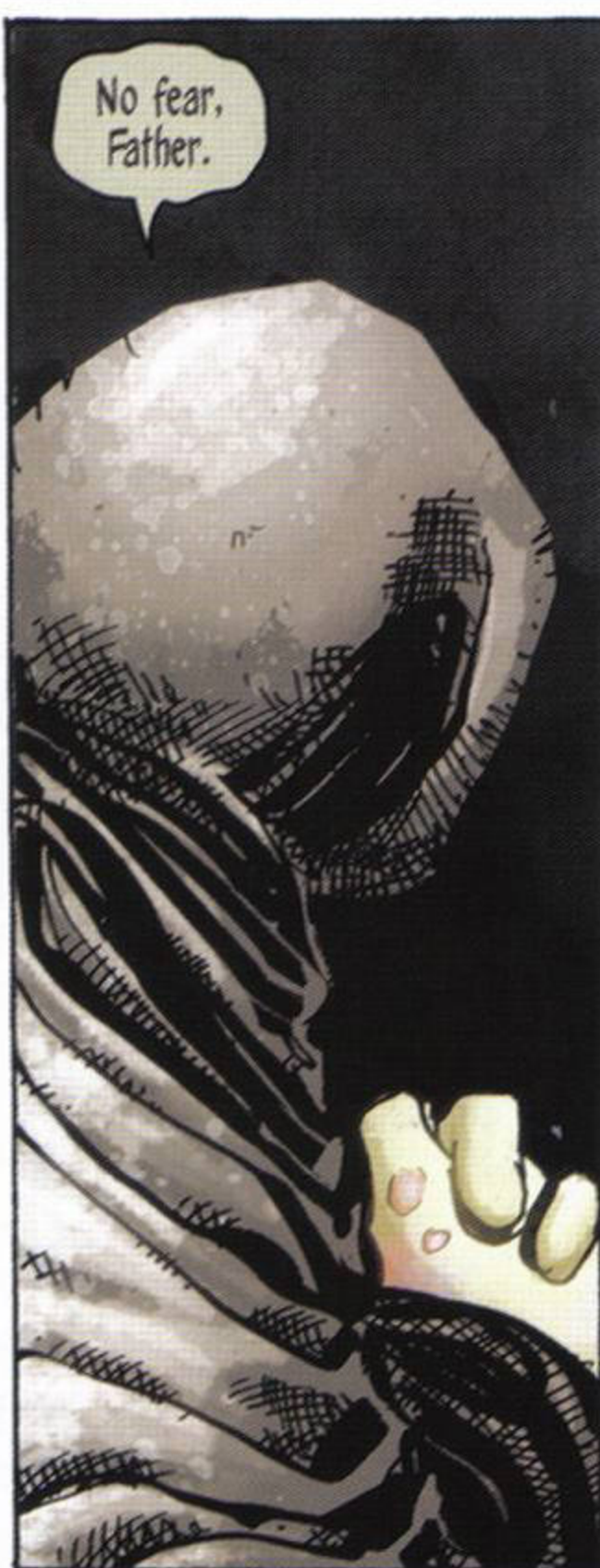
ALRIGHT,
LET ME
SEE.



THIS IS
TRULY THE
WORK OF THE
DEVIL.



LUCKILY WE
HAVE ANGELS
ON OUR SIDE.



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POLICE PUBLIC CALL BOX

3 SAVILE
ROW.

3 SAVILE
ROW?

THE BEATLES
ARE ABOUT TO PLAY
THEIR FINAL CONCERT
ON THE ROOF. BUT WE
BETTER HURRY, IT
DIDN'T LAST...

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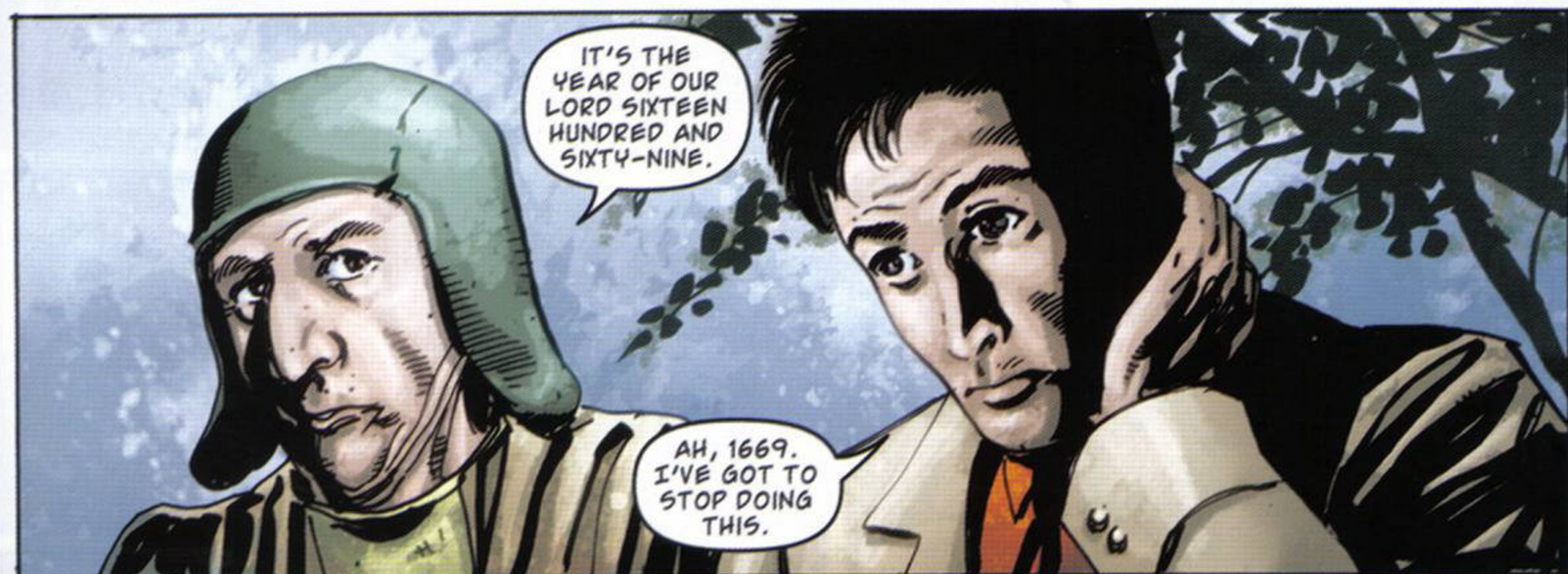
THAT'S RIGHT, 3
SAVILE ROW. APPLE
RECORDS. JANUARY
30TH 1969.

...WAIT A
MINUTE.

THIS ISN'T
RIGHT.



EXCUSE ME, SIR, BUT WHAT YEAR IS IT?



IT'S THE YEAR OF OUR LORD SIXTEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINE.

AH, 1669. I'VE GOT TO STOP DOING THIS.



WAIT, THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT. THE LAST RECORDED PLAGUE OUTBREAK WAS IN 1666, SHORTLY AFTER THE GREAT FIRE OF LONDON—MY FAULT, BY THE WAY, BUT IT WAS COMPLETELY NECESSARY.

THIS SHOULDN'T BE... AH! MARTHA, COME TAKE A LOOK AT THIS.



I REALISE THAT BUBONIC PLAGUE ISN'T A LARGE CONCERN IN YOUR TIME, BUT WHAT IS YOUR DIAGNOSIS?

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THAT. IT'S CERTAINLY NOT YERSINIA PESTIS.



RIGHT, IT'S NOT THE BLACK DEATH. WELL, AT LEAST NOT ONE THAT EVOLVED ON EARTH, ANYWAYS.

DOCTOR, WHO ARE THEY?

PLAGUE DOCTORS—THEY WEAR THOSE GETUPS BECAUSE THEY THINK IT'LL DRAW THE PLAGUE AWAY FROM THEM. DOESN'T WORK, BUT AT LEAST THEY HAVE A FLAIR FOR THE DRAMATIC.

WHY ARE YOU JUST STANDING THERE WHILE PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING? YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE DOCTORS. HELP THEM!

FURRRRRRR.

THEY'RE JUST UPSET BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT NEEDED. THE FAITH HEALER WILL CURE US OF THIS BLIGHT.

IN THE CHURCH, A WAYS EAST OF THE VILLAGE. WE'RE COLLECTING PEOPLE TO TAKE THERE NOW.

FAITH HEALER? REALLY? THAT'S BRILLIANT!

OF COURSE THERE'S CERTAINLY MORE TO IT THAN THAT, DON'T YOU THINK? STILL, YOU CAN'T BEAT A GOOD FAITH HEALER! WHERE COULD I FIND HIM?

DON'T YOU BELIEVE THIS FAITH HEALER TO BE WHAT HE SAYS?

HE PROBABLY CAN MIRACULOUSLY HEAL THE SICK, I'VE SEEN IT BEFORE.

BUT WHEN THERE'S A PLAGUE THAT DOESN'T BELONG ON THIS EARTH AND ONLY ONE MAN HAS THE CURE...

...YOU THINK HE MAY HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH IT.

BINGO!









THIS IS TRUE,
THOUGH I'VE ALWAYS
BELIEVED IN HIS KIND'S
EXISTENCE.



AND
WHAT
EXACTLY
WOULD HIS
"KIND"
BE?



HE'S AN
ANGEL.

HEAL!



OH,
LOOK AT
YOU.



YOU'RE
BEAUTIFUL!
YOU'RE NOT AN
ANGEL, BUT YOU'RE
BEAUTIFUL.













"OF COURSE, HOW COULD I HAVE BEEN SO STUPID?"



"VIRUSES REPRODUCE BY INFECTING CELLS. THESE PEOPLE ARE THOSE CELLS!"



WHERE ENEMY?



MY GOD, THERE IS SOMETHING AFTER HIM.



YOU CANNOT HAVE MY ANGEL, DEMONS!



AAAAARRRG!



I KNOW
WHAT YOU
ARE...



... IMMUNOGLOBULINS! YOU SHOULD
HAVE THE POWER TO WIPE OUT
THESE MACRO-VIRUSES.
WHY DON'T YOU?



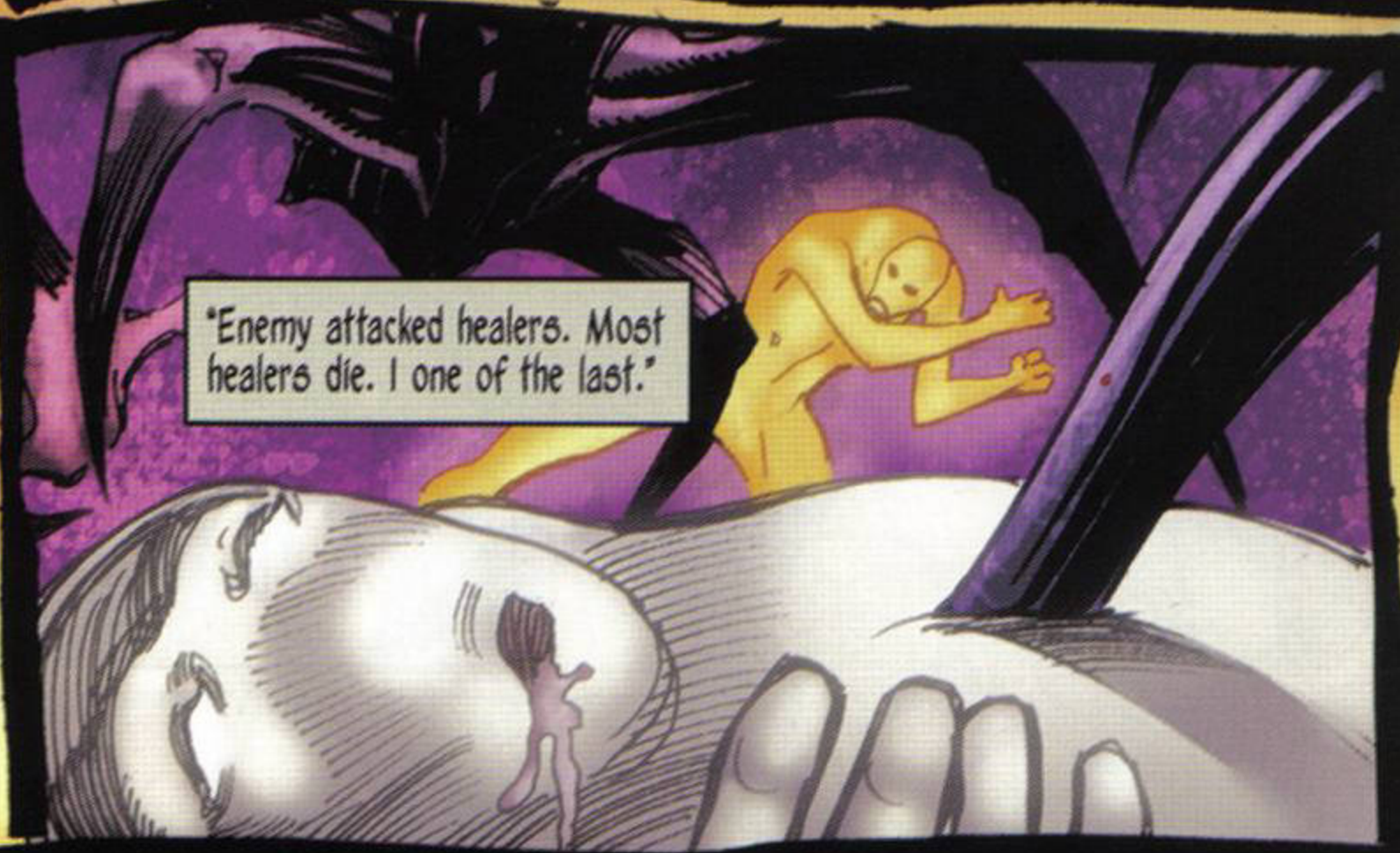
"Healer once great soldier. A general!"

"YES, IN THE IMMUNOGLOBULIN ARMY ON THE FLESH PLANET OF MIMOSA 3 IN THE CRUX CONSTELLATION, I ASSUME."

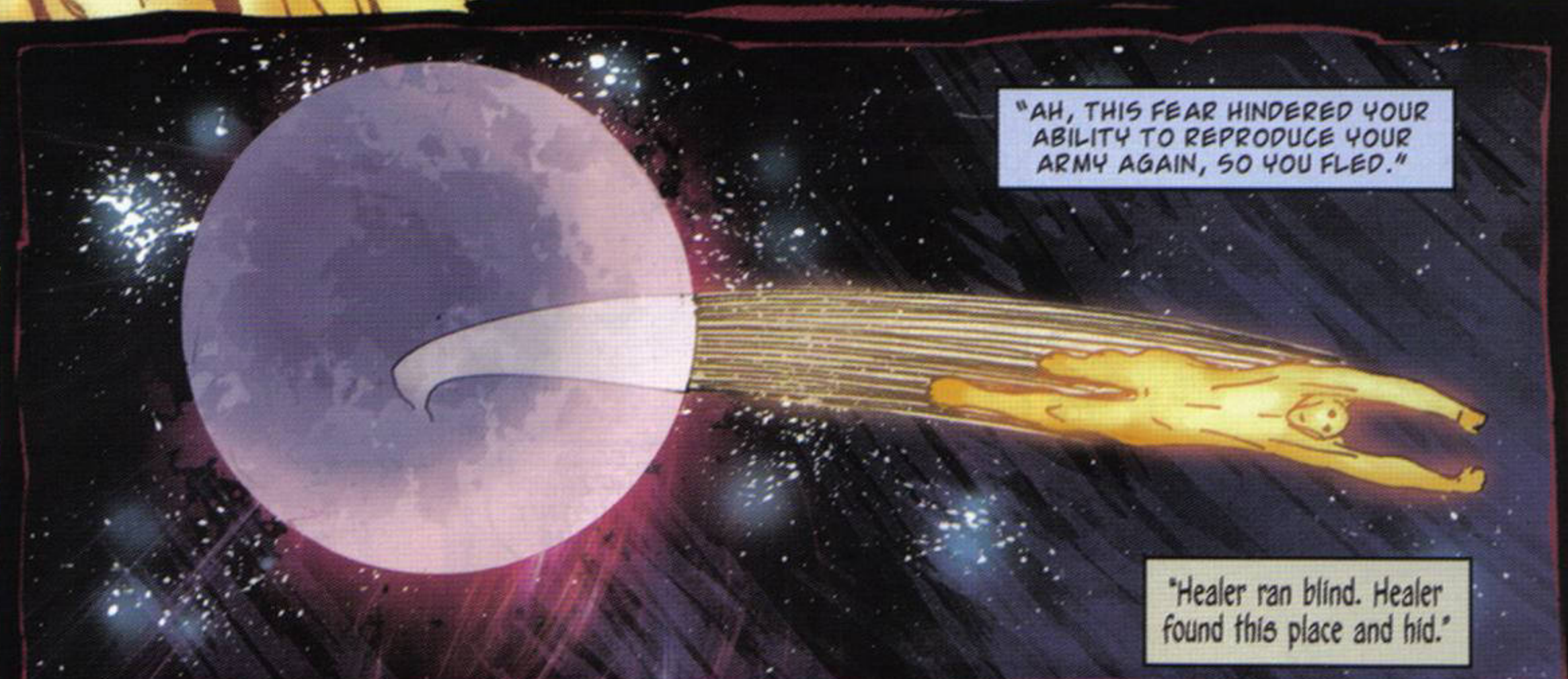


"Healer quite brave then."

"YES, YOU WOULD HAVE HAD TO BE. WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT CHANGED?"

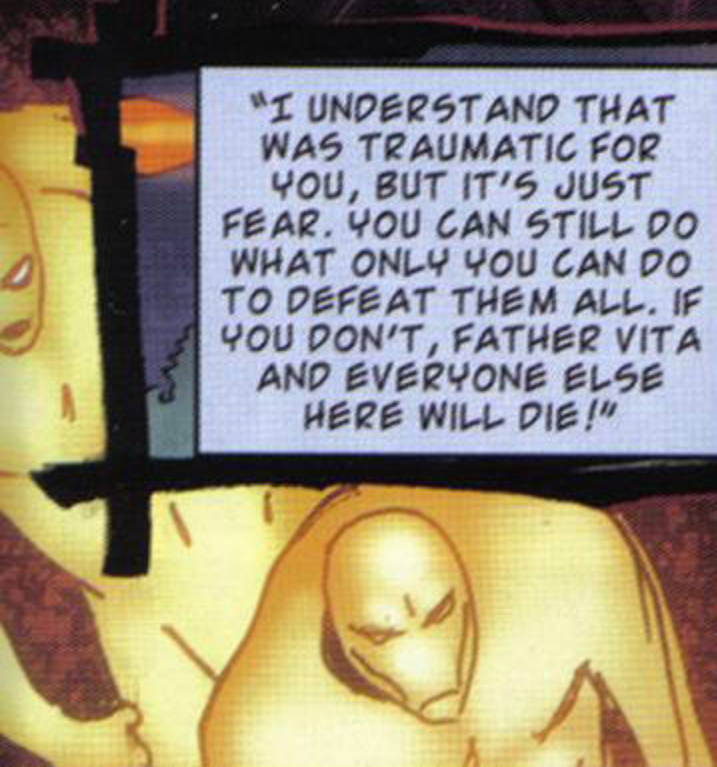


"Enemy attacked healers. Most healers die. I one of the last."



"AH, THIS FEAR HINDERED YOUR ABILITY TO REPRODUCE YOUR ARMY AGAIN, SO YOU FLED."

"Healer ran blind. Healer found this place and hid."

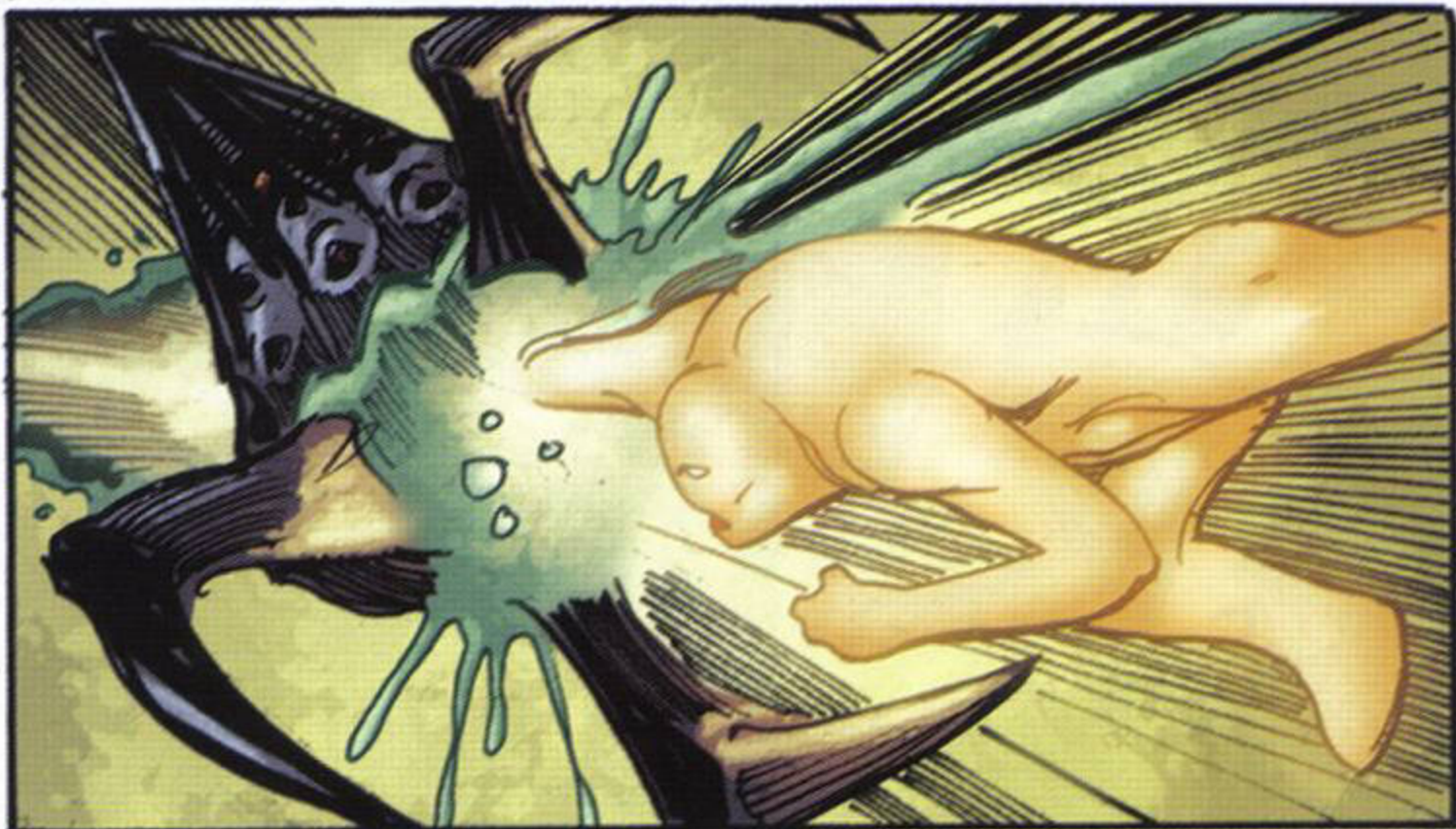


"I UNDERSTAND THAT WAS TRAUMATIC FOR YOU, BUT IT'S JUST FEAR. YOU CAN STILL DO WHAT ONLY YOU CAN DO TO DEFEAT THEM ALL. IF YOU DON'T, FATHER VITA AND EVERYONE ELSE HERE WILL DIE!"



"Father?"

"REMEMBER WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO BE BRAVE. REMEMBER WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO BE STRONG. REMEMBER AND..."





Good-bye, Father.



I WANT TO BE HEALED.



I HAVE A PLAN. A GOOD PLAN. A REASONABLY WELL-THOUGHT-OUT PLAN. WELL, I SAW IT IN A FILM ONCE.

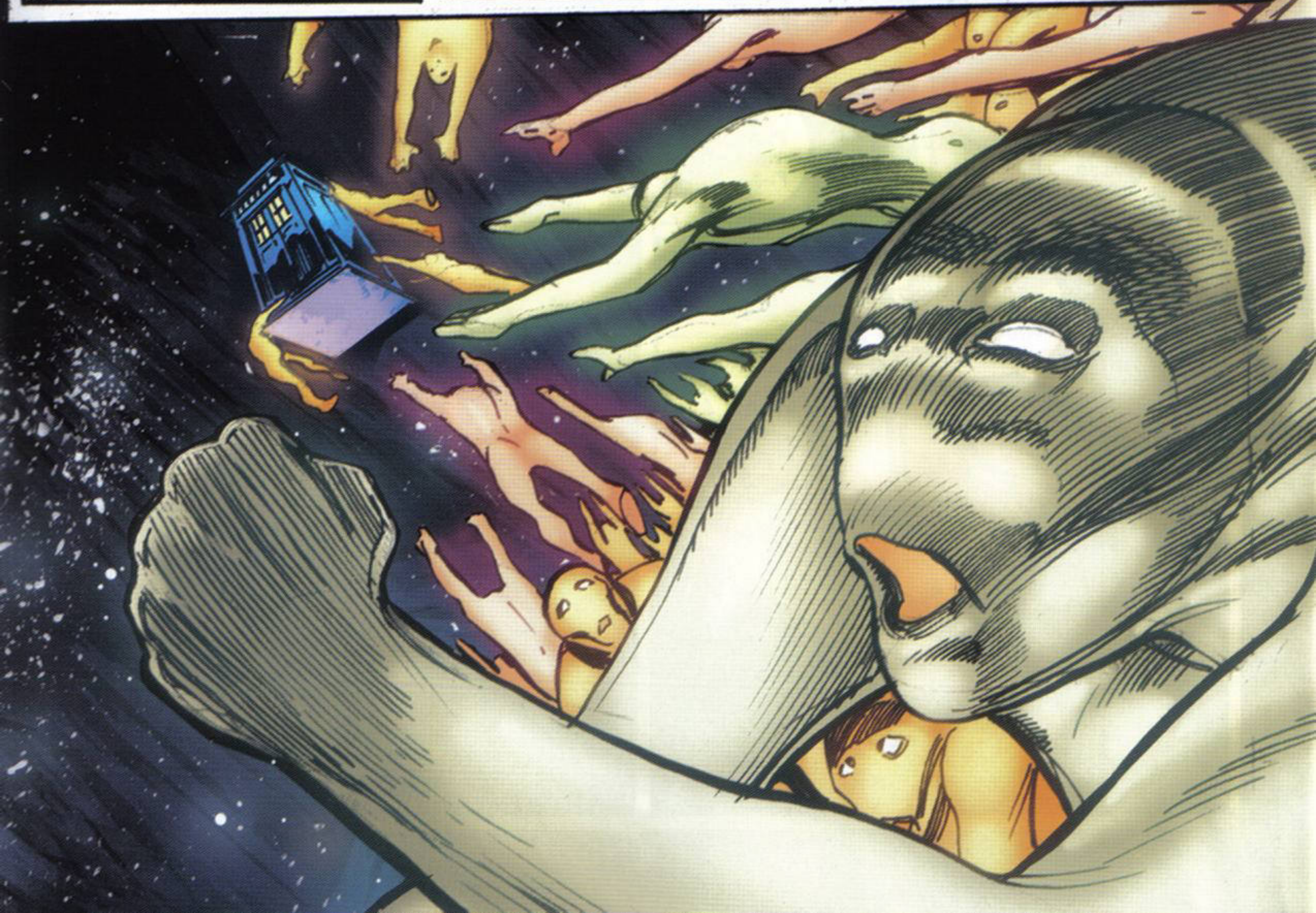
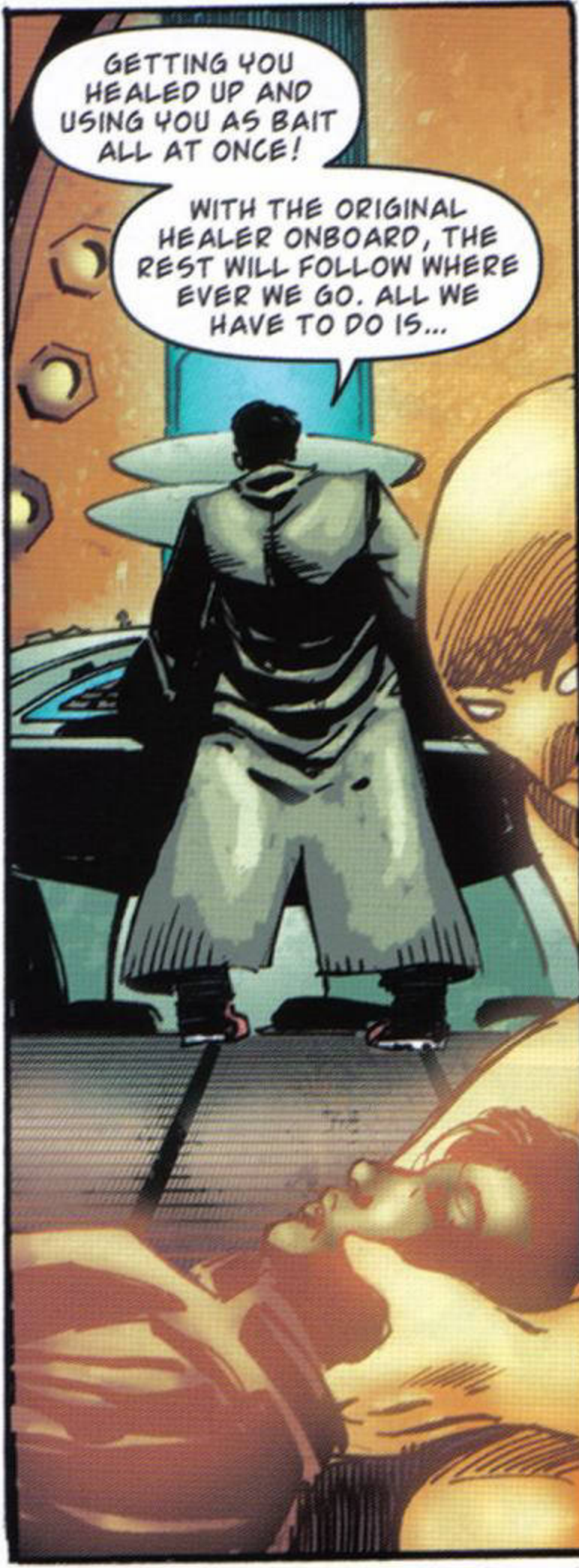


IT WORKED WELL THEN.



CLOSE THE DOOR BEHIND YOU, PLEASE. YOU'RE LETTING IN A DRAFT.







WE'VE LANDED.



YOU'RE HOME. YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO. TAKE YOUR NEW ARMY AND FIGHT OFF THE MACRO-VIRUSES!



I DON'T THINK I'VE SEEN YOU ACTUALLY ENCOURAGE A WAR BEFORE.



"THIS PLANET IS BEING KILLED BY THE
MACRO-VIRUSES. IF THE PLANET DIES,
SO WILL EVERYTHING THAT LIVES ON IT."



"THE ONLY THING THAT KEEPS THIS
WORLD HEALTHY IS CONSTANT WAR."



"IN ALL MY YEARS TRAVELLING THROUGH
TIME AND SPACE, I'VE LEARNED THAT
SOMETIMES WAR IS NECESSARY."



"SOMETIMES THERE
MUST BE DEATH IN ORDER
FOR THERE TO BE LIFE."

"I'VE HAD TO COME TO
GRIPS THAT SOMETIMES,
WHEN IT COMES TO WAR,
IT'S BEST TO JUST..."



...LET IT
BE.

THE END.